

Fall Cleaning Checklist

Household

- organize closets
- remove cobwebs
- wash walls/touch up paint
- wash doorframes, baseboards, and doors
- dust light fixtures and fans
- check lightbulbs (replace)
- vacuum and shampoo carpets
- clean window blinds
- dust/wash airvents
- check smoke and carbon monoxide detectors (replace batteries)
- check fire extinguishers
- check outlets for possible problems
- clean out dryer vent
- drain sediment from hot water heater
- insulate exposed pipes (if needed)

Bedrooms

- PURGE!** Donate clothes/shoes to make room for holidays.
- Replace warm weather clothing with winterwear
- wash blinds/curtains
- vacuum under bed
- vacuum closets
- rotate/flip mattress
- vacuum/clean mattress
- wash bedskirts/covers/pads
- replace bedding with warmer blankets
- polish furniture

Kitchen

- dust tops of cabinets/refrigerator
- tidy up and organize pantry and cabinets
- clean out refrigerator
- throw away very used or expired items
- vacuum fridge coils
- clean food trap in dishwasher
- sweep and mop under appliances

Living Spaces

- wash curtains/blinds
- wash/wax furniture
- vacuum and clean upholstery
- vacuum under furniture
- vacuum and shampoo carpets
- clean out fireplace
- have chimneys and flues inspected and cleaned

Home Office

- dust and clean computers
- dust/polish bookshelves
- clean out/organize drawers
- clean out old files
- shred unneeded paperwork
- begin to organize tax related documents
- update home inventory
- review and update insurance policies

Bathrooms

- wash shower curtains/liners
- check grout for necessary repairs
- dispose of outdated medications
- update medication inventory to prep for winter illness
- check fixtures for leaks/clogs

Entry-Porch

- dust and scrub porch
- clean out entry closet

Outside

- check all windows and doors for cracks
- make necessary repairs to prepare for winter
- trim large tree branches
- cut bushes and trees away from house
- tighten any loose screws or bolts on decks